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GROUP 1742  
PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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For: DOUBLE TAPERED STEEL WIRE AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
CONTINUOUSLY HEAT TREATING THE WIRE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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